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In re Application of : Vikram Singh et al.
Serial No. : 09/468,752
Filed : December 21, 1999
For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SCREENING A POTENTIAL
CUSTOMER AND ASSIGNING AN ACCOUNT NUMBER TO
THE POTENTIAL CUSTOMER ACROSS A GLOBAL
COMPUTER NETWORK
Group Art No. : 3627
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**RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.181 REQUESTING
WITHDRAWAL OF THE HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Abandonment mailed October 6, 2006, and further in view of a previous petitions to withdraw the holding of abandonment filed November 2, 2006 and February 16, 2009 (copies enclosed), Applicant respectfully RENEWS its request for withdrawal of the holding of abandonment for the reasons set forth below.

RELATED CASE/ISSUE:

Initially, it should be noted that Applicant is filing on this date a similar RENEWED PETITION in Serial No. 09/468,403 having the same examiner and the same issues presented herein.

REMARKS

A Notice of Abandonment in the present application was mailed October 6, 2006. The Notice simply stated that that the application was abandoned in view of “Applicant’s failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 16 September 2003.” *Notice of Abandonment*, October 6, 2006. Applicant had, however, timely submitted multiple responses to the September 16, 2003 Office Action, including (1) a Petition Under 37 CFR §1.144 Seeking Supervisory Review of Prosecution; (2) a Request for Reinstatement of Appeal Filed July 7, 2003; and (3) a Supplemental Appeal Brief Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.191 and 1.192. These responses were filed concurrently on December 16, 2003, only two months after the September 16, 2003 Office Action. Thus, the a timely response was indeed filed with the USPTO in view of the September 16, 2003 Office Action, and the Notice of Abandonment should not have been issued.

After receiving the October 6, 2006 Notice of Abandonment, Applicant promptly filed a Petition to request withdrawal of the holding of abandonment on November 2, 2006, less than one month after receipt of the Notice of Abandonment. A copy of the November 3, 2006 Petition is enclosed herewith, along with copies of all documents filed concurrently therewith. However, despite timely filing the Petition nearly three years ago, Applicant has yet to receive a Decision on Petition in the matter. Applicant filed Status Inquiries on April 22, 2008, September 19, 2008, and December 19, 2008, and filed a Renewed Petition to request withdrawal of the abandonment on February 16, 2009, but Applicant has yet to receive a reply from the Office regarding the status of the Petition. As it has been nearly three years since the original filing of the Petition requesting withdrawal of abandonment, Applicant hereby resubmits the Petition with anticipation of a timely Decision on Petition from the Office.

Even though it has been more than two months since the mailing of the Notice of Abandonment on October 6, 2006, Applicant notes that the original Petition requesting withdrawal of the holding of abandonment, filed November 2, 2006, was timely under 37 C.F.R.

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Therefore, in view of the arguments above and those previously set forth November 2, 2006, Applicant believes that the holding of abandonment should be withdrawn.

In order to avoid any further delay, Applicant requests that the Office telephone the undersigned to expedite any unresolved matters with regard to this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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Signature

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT
MAILED OCTOBER 6, 2006

Dear Sir:

The Notice of Abandonment mailed October 6, 2006 is in error and Applicant seeks withdrawal thereof.

REMARKS

The Notice of Abandonment mailed on October 6, 2006 states this application has been abandoned due to Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on September 16, 2003. Applicant has, however, responded to the September 16, 2003 Office Action by filing on December 16, 2003: (1) Petition Under 37 CFR §1.144 Seeking Supervisory Review of Prosecution; (2) Request for Reinstatement of Appeal Filed July 7, 2003; and (3) Supplemental Appeal Brief Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.191 and 1.192. These three documents appear in the Image File Wrapper in PAIR (copy enclosed).

Therefore, the October 6, 2006 Notice of Abandonment has been issued in error, and withdrawal thereof is hereby respectfully requested.

Additionally, a Decision granting Applicant's December 16, 2003 has been issued on May 24, 2004. This document also appears in the Image File Wrapper in PAIR.

Applicant has filed two additional documents since receiving the December 16, 2003 Decision. Those documents being: (1) a Status Inquiry on February 1, 2006; and (2) on April 6, 2006, a Petition to Group Director to Request Examiner Reassignment. The February 1, 2006 Status Request appears in the IFW. The April 6, 2006 Petition, however, does not appear in the IFW in PAIR.

The April 6, 2006 Petition was filed via facsimile, and was received in the US PTO as evidenced by the Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission which shows a received date and time of 4/6/2006 5:07:02 PM [Eastern Daylight Time]. A complete copy of the April 6, 2006 Petition is being filed herewith.

In view of the foregoing, it is hereby respectfully requested the October 6, 2006 Notice of Abandonment be withdrawn, and that a Decision on Applicant's April 6, 2006 Petition be issued.

Respectfully submitted,

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Application of	:	al.		
Serial No.	:	09/468,403	09/710,543	09/468,752
Filed	:	December 20, 1999	November 9, 2000	December 21, 1999
For	:	Method and Apparatus for Screening Potential Customers for Transactions Across a Global Computer Network	A Method of Designing an Electronic Transaction System	Method and Apparatus for Screening a Potential Customer and Assigning an Account Number to the Potential Customer Across a Global Computer Network
Group Art No.	:	3627	3627	3627
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PETITION TO GROUP DIRECTOR TO REQUEST EXAMINER REASSIGNMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests reassignment of the above referenced cases due to delay, action, and inadequate Examination. Each of the above referenced files are currently assigned to Mr. Andrew J. Rudy.

Docketed by: *JAE*
Date: *4-7-06*

A copy of the Transaction History for each file is attached.

09/468,752 (GEMS8081.028)

In this case, Applicant originally submitted its Appeal Brief on May 5, 2003 and an Amended Appeal Brief on July 7, 2003. The Examiner issued an action of September 16, 2003, and Applicant submitted a Supplemental Appeal Brief and Petition Seeking Supervisory Review on December 16, 2003. That Petition was denied on May 24, 2004, and the Examiner has taken no action on the case since. Applicant has filed Status Inquiries April 5, 2004, and February 1, 2006, with no reply from the Office. Since nearly two years have passed without any action on Applicant's Appeal Brief, Applicant respectfully requests the case be reassigned.

09/468,403 (GEMS8081.024)

In this case, Applicant filed a Supplemental Appeal Brief on December 16, 2003 with a Petition for Supervisory Review, which, again, was denied. Applicant did not receive a Notice of NonCompliant Appeal Brief until August 3, 2005, and then promptly filed a Response and a Supplemental Appeal Brief on August 19, 2005. MPEP §1207.02 states that "[t]he examiner should furnish the Appellant with a written statement in answer to appellant's brief within 2 months after the receipt of the brief by examiner." Since nearly eight months have passed without any action on Applicant's Appeal Brief, Applicant respectfully requests the case be reassigned.

09/710,543 (GEMS8081.027)

In this case, Applicant filed a Pre-Appeal Brief Conference Request on August 3, 2005 along with a Notice of Appeal. As per a telephone conference between our paralegal and Examiner Rudy, the Notice of Appeal and Pre-Appeal Brief Conference Request was faxed again to Examiner Rudy on September 30, 2005. Then once more the Notice of Appeal and Pre-Appeal Brief Conference Request was faxed directly to Examiner Rudy on November 2, 2005. Applicant never did receive a Decision on the request, but received a new action mailed February 28, 2006, reopening prosecution which is nothing more than furthering additional delay. That is, in one paragraph in the Office Action, the Examiner applied a 316 page reference and merely cited to "Figs. 1-87" and "Cols. 1-321." Even so, the Examiner still found it necessary to take Official Notice, and provide "an alternative" rejection. Applicant paid its fee and deserved a Decision from the Panel.

It is quite clear that, although Applicant has paid all of its fees associated with applying for these patents, prosecuting these patents, and filing Notices of Appeal and Appeal Briefs, that the Office is simply delaying and certainly not providing any adequate or quality examination. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests each of these cases be allowed or reassigned. The undersigned also notes that several calls were placed to the Group Director John Love, in the hopes of not having to file this Petition. In the two instances that the undersigned telephone calls were returned by Examiner Rudy's SPE, Mr. Alexander Kalinowski, the undersigned was assured that these issues would be looked into and a return phone call was promised. Unfortunately, the undersigned never received such a return phone call. With all do respect, Applicant simply wants a fair examination, and if reasonable minds differ, be allowed to take its case to the Board of Appeals.

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's consideration of these Amendments and Remarks and cordially invites the Examiner to call the undersigned, should the Examiner consider any matters unresolved.

Respectfully submitted,



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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/710,543  
Filing Date: November 9, 2000  
Title: A METHOD OF DESIGNING AN ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION SYSTEM  
Atty. Docket No. GEMS8081.027

Dear Examiner Rudy,

Further to our phone conversation today, per your instructions, I am faxing herewith our August 3, 2005 submission of a Notice of Appeal and a Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review. Also attached is a copy of the Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission from the PTO indicating receipt of this filing at 11:06:18am on August 3, 2005.

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Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

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Atty. Docket No. GEMS8081.027

Dear Examiner Rudy,

Further to our phone conversation today, per your instructions, I am faxing herewith our August 3, 2005 submission of a Notice of Appeal and a Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review. Also attached is a copy of the Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission from the PTO indicating receipt of this filing at 11:06:18am on August 3, 2005.

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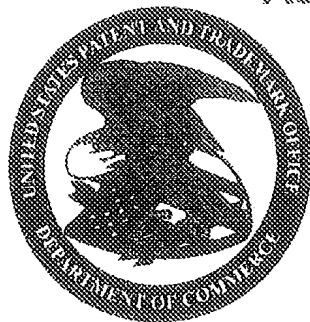
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